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Soil For The Placement
Of Seed And Additive
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The case referred to above has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with other cases hereafter specified. Attention is directed to the fact that this interference is declared pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.601 et seq., effective February 11, 1985 (49 F.R. 48416, 1050 O.G. 385). The interference is designated as No. 103,620.

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Count 1

An apparatus for preparing soil for the placement therein of at least one of seed and additive, said apparatus comprising:

a frame having a front and rear;

first means on the frame for penetrating the soil to create an opening for at least one of seed and additive as the frame is advanced in a travel direction; and

second means on the frame overlapping the first means in a fore and aft direction and extending rearwardly beyond the first means for at least one of a) stripping soil clods from the first means, and b) loosening soil downstream of the first means,

said second means comprising a first wheel,


there being means for mounting the first wheel to the frame for rotation relative thereto about an axis,

whereby a loosened bed of soil can be defined for receipt of at least one of seed and additive.

The claims of the parties which correspond to this count are:

Carroll: Claim 25.

Bassett: Claims 1, 2, 4 through 8.



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